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## House of Representatives

The House met at noon and was called to order by the Speaker pro tempore (Mr. BUTTERFIELD).

### DESIGNATION OF THE SPEAKER PRO TEMPORE

The SPEAKER pro tempore laid before the House the following communication from the Speaker:

WASHINGTON, DC,  
December 20, 2020.

I hereby appoint the Honorable G.K. BUTTERFIELD to act as Speaker pro tempore on this day.

NANCY PELOSI,  
*Speaker of the House of Representatives.*

### PRAYER

The Chaplain, the Reverend Patrick J. Conroy, offered the following prayer: Lord of all creation, thank You for giving us another day.

Americans can see on television trucks carrying the first rollout of vaccinations in our country. For many this is a great sign of hope, for others a moment of concern. Give Your people hope, and courage where needed, to take advantage of this tremendous breakthrough.

We praise Your holy name that You have gifted so many men and women who have labored to bring this day to fruition: Brilliant medical scientists, down to logistical professionals, to delivery personnel. We are all served so well by these generous brothers and sisters.

Continue to strengthen the resolve of legislators here in the Capitol in their efforts to provide an economic relief bill and funding the government.

May all that is done be for Your greater honor and glory.  
Amen.

### THE JOURNAL

The SPEAKER pro tempore. Pursuant to section 4(a) of House Resolution

967, the Journal of the last day's proceedings is approved.

### PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

The SPEAKER pro tempore. Will the gentleman from Arizona (Mr. BIGGS) come forward and lead the House in the Pledge of Allegiance.

Mr. BIGGS led the Pledge of Allegiance as follows:

I pledge allegiance to the Flag of the United States of America, and to the Republic for which it stands, one nation under God, indivisible, with liberty and justice for all.

### COMMUNICATION FROM THE CLERK OF THE HOUSE

The SPEAKER pro tempore laid before the House the following communication from the Clerk of the House of Representatives:

OFFICE OF THE CLERK,  
HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES,  
Washington, DC, December 18, 2020.

Hon. NANCY PELOSI,  
*The Speaker, House of Representatives,*  
Washington, DC.

DEAR MADAM SPEAKER: Pursuant to the permission granted in Clause 2(h) of Rule II of the Rules of the U.S. House of Representatives, the Clerk received the following message from the Secretary of the Senate on December 18, 2020, at 7:10 p.m.:

That the Senate agreed to without amendment H.J. Res. 107.

With best wishes, I am,  
Sincerely,

CHERYL L. JOHNSON,  
*Clerk.*

### ANNOUNCEMENT BY THE SPEAKER PRO TEMPORE

The SPEAKER pro tempore. Pursuant to clause 4 of rule I, the following enrolled joint resolution was signed by the Speaker on Friday, December 18, 2020:

H.J. Res. 107, making further continuing appropriations for fiscal year 2021, and for other purposes.

### RECESS

The SPEAKER pro tempore. Pursuant to clause 12(a) of rule I, the Chair declares the House in recess subject to the call of the Chair.

Accordingly (at 12 o'clock and 3 minutes p.m.), the House stood in recess.

□ 1835

### AFTER RECESS

The recess having expired, the House was called to order by the Speaker pro tempore (Mr. BUTTERFIELD) at 6 o'clock and 35 minutes p.m.

### EXTENSION OF CONTINUING APPROPRIATIONS ACT, 2021

Mrs. LOWEY. Mr. Speaker, I move to suspend the rules and pass the joint resolution (H.J. Res. 110) making further continuing appropriations for fiscal year 2021, and for other purposes.

The Clerk read the title of the joint resolution.

The text of the joint resolution is as follows:

H.J. RES. 110

*Resolved by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled, That the Continuing Appropriations Act, 2021 (division A of Public Law 116-159) is further amended by striking the date specified in section 106(3) and inserting "December 21, 2020".*

This joint resolution may be cited as the "Extension of Continuing Appropriations Act, 2021".

The SPEAKER pro tempore. Pursuant to the rule, the gentlewoman from New York (Mrs. LOWEY) and the gentleman from Texas (Ms. GRANGER) each will control 20 minutes.

The Chair recognizes the gentleman from New York.

GENERAL LEAVE

Mrs. LOWEY. Mr. Speaker, I ask unanimous consent that all Members

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have 5 legislative days in which to revise and extend their remarks and include extraneous material on H.J. Res. 110, currently under consideration.

The SPEAKER pro tempore. Is there objection to the request of the gentlewoman from New York?

There was no objection.

Mrs. LOWEY. Mr. Speaker, I yield myself such time as I may consume.

Mr. Speaker, on Friday, I informed the House that we were very close to agreement on a year-end funding package.

I am pleased to say that we have now reached agreement, but logistics of assembling such a comprehensive bill require additional time. This continuing resolution provides that additional time and will allow this Congress to complete our work on government funding and coronavirus relief. I urge my colleagues to join me in support of this clean extension of funding.

Mr. Speaker, I reserve the balance of my time.

Ms. GRANGER. Mr. Speaker, I yield myself such time as I may consume.

I rise today in support of this short-term continuing resolution.

As I said last week, we have been negotiating night and day for weeks to reach agreement on full-year appropriations bills and a coronavirus relief package. I am proud that we have reached agreement that will fully fund the government for the rest of the fiscal year and provide more desperately needed relief for the American people and businesses impacted by the coronavirus.

Passing this CR is simply a stopgap measure to give the House and the Senate time to pass this bipartisan agreement and get it to the President's desk for a signature. I urge my colleagues to join me in voting in favor of this continuing resolution.

Mr. Speaker, I reserve the balance of my time.

Mrs. LOWEY. Mr. Speaker, I yield myself such time as I may consume.

I want to thank my colleagues for supporting this stopgap measure to avoid a government shutdown as we finish our critical work to fund government and respond to the COVID pandemic.

As my time in Congress nears a close, I must briefly, very briefly, reflect on my 32 years of service, which has been guided by a basic principle: When you see a problem, do something about it. In times of crisis like we face today, and after September 11 and Superstorm Sandy, delivering relief has been my sacred duty.

I will be forever grateful to colleagues, advocates, and excellent staff who helped me secure critical Federal funds directly for my district, indelibly shape women's health policy, enact lifesaving food allergy labeling and the .08 BAC drunk driving standard, and too many other achievements to fully recount now.

Limited debate time leaves me unable to acknowledge by name all of my

exceptional staff, but I must thank my chief of staff for the last 16 years, Elizabeth Stanley, and my unequaled district director, Pat Keegan, who, for more than 26 years, has led my outstanding district staff in solving thousands of cases for constituents who needed help.

Our successes are often overlooked amid partisan rancor and the notion that institutions of government are irrevocably broken. I do not believe they are.

To my colleagues from both sides of the aisle, across the country, and the political spectrum, our work together is a testament to the enduring values of public service and of a collective commitment to better the world. You inspired me to be a better legislator, and I am grateful. While I leave Congress as the first chairwoman of the House Appropriations Committee, the title I still cherish most is United States Representative from New York. To those I have represented: Thank you for your trust and confidence.

To my family, my wonderful husband, Steve; my children and their spouses, Dana and David, Doug and Ellen, and Jackie and David; and my grandchildren, Jillian, Daniel, Ian, Jesse, Jonah, Rebecca, Jonathan, and Solene, your endless support has made my career possible. I hope you are ready for a lot more of me.

Mr. Speaker, with gratitude for having had the honor and privilege to serve, I reserve the balance of my time.

Ms. GRANGER. Mr. Speaker, I yield back the balance of my time.

Mrs. LOWEY. Mr. Speaker, I yield back the balance of my time.

The SPEAKER pro tempore. The question is on the motion offered by the gentlewoman from New York (Mrs. LOWEY) that the House suspend the rules and pass the joint resolution, H.J. Res. 110.

The question was taken.

The SPEAKER pro tempore. In the opinion of the Chair, two-thirds being in the affirmative, the ayes have it.

Mr. BIGGS. Mr. Speaker, on that I demand the yeas and nays.

The SPEAKER pro tempore. Pursuant to section 3 of House Resolution 965, the yeas and nays are ordered.

The vote was taken by electronic device, and there were—yeas 329, nays 65, not voting 35, as follows:

[Roll No. 248]

YEAS—329

Adams	Blumenauer	Case
Aderholt	Blunt Rochester	Casten (IL)
Aguilar	Bonamici	Castor (FL)
Allred	Bost	Castro (TX)
Amodei	Boyle, Brendan	Chabot
Armstrong	F.	Cheney
Axne	Brindisi	Chu, Judy
Bacon	Brooks (IN)	Cicilline
Baird	Brown (MD)	Cisneros
Balderson	Brownley (CA)	Clark (MA)
Barr	Buchanan	Clarke (NY)
Barragán	Bustos	Clay
Bass	Butterfield	Cleaver
Beatty	Calvert	Cline
Bera	Carbajal	Clyburn
Beyer	Cárdenas	Cohen
Bilirakis	Carson (IN)	Cole
Bishop (GA)	Cartwright	Comer

Connolly	Joyce (OH)	Raskin
Cooper	Joyce (PA)	Reed
Correa	Kaptur	Reschenthaler
Costa	Katko	Rice (NY)
Courtney	Keating	Richmond
Cox (CA)	Kelly (IL)	Riggleman
Craig	Kelly (PA)	Roby
Crawford	Kennedy	Rodgers (WA)
Crenshaw	Khanna	Roe, David P.
Crist	Kildee	Rogers (KY)
Crow	Kilmer	Rose (NY)
Cuellar	Kim	Rouda
Cunningham	Kind	Rouzer
Davids (KS)	King (NY)	Roybal-Allard
Davis (CA)	Kinzinger	Ruiz
Davis, Danny K.	Kirkpatrick	Ruppersberger
Davis, Rodney	Krishnamoorthi	Rush
Dean	Kuster (NH)	Rutherford
DeFazio	Kustoff (TN)	Ryan
DeGette	LaHood	Sánchez
DeLauro	Lamb	Sarbanes
DelBene	Langevin	Scalise
Delgado	Larsen (WA)	Scanlon
Demings	Larson (CT)	Schakowsky
DeSaulnier	Lawrence	Schiff
Deutch	Lawson (FL)	Schneider
Diaz-Balart	Lee (CA)	Schrader
Dingell	Lee (NV)	Schrier
Doggett	Lesko	Scott (VA)
Doyle, Michael	Levin (CA)	Scott, Austin
F.	Levin (MI)	Scott, David
Emmer	Lieu, Ted	Serrano
Engel	Lipinski	Sewell (AL)
Escobar	Loebach	Shalala
Eshoo	Lofgren	Sherman
Espallat	Lowenthal	Sherrill
Evans	Lowe	Shimkus
Ferguson	Lucas	Simpson
Finkenauer	Luetkemeyer	Sires
Fitzpatrick	Lujan	Slotkin
Fleischmann	Luria	Smith (NE)
Fletcher	Lynch	Smith (NJ)
Fortenberry	Malinowski	Smith (WA)
Foster	Maloney,	Smucker
Frankel	Carolyn B.	Soto
Fudge	Maloney, Sean	Spanberger
Gabbard	Matsui	Speier
Gallego	McAdams	Stanton
Garamendi	McBath	Staubert
Garcia (CA)	McCarthy	Stefanik
Garcia (IL)	McCaul	Steil
Garcia (TX)	McCollum	Stevens
Gianforte	McEachin	Stivers
Gibbs	McGovern	Suozzi
Golden	McKinley	Swalwell (CA)
Gomez	McNerney	Takano
Gonzalez (OH)	Meeks	Thompson (CA)
Gonzalez (TX)	Meng	Thompson (MS)
Gottheimer	Meuser	Thompson (PA)
Granger	Mfume	Tiffany
Graves (LA)	Miller	Titus
Graves (MO)	Moolenaar	Tlaib
Green, Al (TX)	Moore	Tonko
Griffith	Morelle	Torres (CA)
Grijalva	Moulton	Torres Small
Grothman	Mucarsel-Powell	(NM)
Haaland	Murphy (FL)	Trahan
Hagedorn	Nadler	Turner
Hall	Napolitano	Underwood
Harder (CA)	Neal	Upton
Hastings	Neguse	Van Drew
Hayes	Newhouse	Vargas
Heck	Norcross	Veasey
Hern, Kevin	Nunes	Vela
Herrera Beutler	O'Halleran	Velázquez
Higgins (NY)	Ocasio-Cortez	Visclosky
Hill (AR)	Omar	Wagner
Himes	Palazzo	Walberg
Horn, Kendra S.	Pallone	Walden
Horsford	Panetta	Walorski
Houlahan	Pappas	Wasserman
Hoyer	Pascrell	Schultz
Huffman	Payne	Waters
Huizenga	Pence	Watson Coleman
Hurd (TX)	Perlmutter	Welch
Jackson Lee	Peters	Wexton
Jacobs	Peterson	Wild
Jayapal	Phillips	Wilson (FL)
Jeffries	Pingree	Womack
Johnson (GA)	Pocan	Woodall
Johnson (LA)	Porter	Young
Johnson (OH)	Pressley	Zeldin
Johnson (SD)	Price (NC)	
Johnson (TX)	Quigley	

NAYS—65

Allen	Babin	Biggs
Amash	Banks	Bishop (NC)
Arrington	Bergman	Brooks (AL)

Buck	Harris	Olson
Bucshon	Hartzler	Palmer
Budd	Hice (GA)	Posey
Burchett	Higgins (LA)	Rice (SC)
Burgess	Hollingsworth	Rose, John W.
Cloud	Hudson	Roy
Conaway	Jordan	Schweikert
Curtis	Keller	Smith (MO)
Davidson (OH)	Kelly (MS)	Stewart
DesJarlais	LaMalfa	Taylor
Estes	Lamborn	Timmons
Foxx (NC)	Latta	Tipton
Fulcher	Long	Waltz
Gaetz	Marshall	Watkins
Gallagher	Massie	Weber (TX)
Gohmert	Mast	Wenstrup
Gooden	McClintock	Westerman
Gosar	Mooney (WV)	Williams
Guthrie	Mullin	

## NOT VOTING—35

Abraham	Holding	Spano
Bishop (UT)	King (IA)	Steube
Brady	Loudermilk	Thornberry
Byrne	Marchant	Trone
Carter (GA)	McHenry	Walker
Carter (TX)	Mitchell	Webster (FL)
Collins (GA)	Murphy (NC)	Wilson (SC)
Duncan	Norman	Wittman
Dunn	Perry	Wright
Flores	Rogers (AL)	Yarmuth
Green (TN)	Rooney (FL)	Yoho
Guest	Sensenbrenner	

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So (two-thirds being in the affirmative) the rules were suspended and the joint resolution was passed.

The result of the vote was announced as above recorded.

A motion to reconsider was laid on the table.

Stated for:

Mr. BRADY. Mr. Speaker, I have been unexpectedly withheld. Had I been present, I would have voted "yea" on H.J. Res. 110.

Mr. CARTER of Georgia. Mr. Speaker, on roll call No. 248, I am not recorded because of circumstances which caused me to miss the vote. Had I been present, I would have voted aye.

## MEMBERS RECORDED PURSUANT TO HOUSE RESOLUTION 965, 116TH CONGRESS

Allred (Wexton)	DeSaulnier	Kim (Davids)
Axne (Davids)	(Matsui)	(KS)
(KS)	Deutch (Rice)	Kirkpatrick
Barragan (Beyer)	(NY)	(Stanton)
Bera (Aguilar)	Doggett (Raskin)	Lamb (Sherrill)
Bishop (GA)	Escobar (Garcia)	Langevin
(Butterfield)	(TX)	(Lynch)
Blumenauer	Eshoo	Larson (CT)
(Beyer)	(Thompson)	(Cicilline)
Bonamici (Clark)	(CA)	Lawrence
(MA)	Finkenauer	(Kildee)
Boyle, Brendan	(Underwood)	Lawson (FL)
F. (Jeffries)	Fletcher	(Demings)
Brownley (CA)	(Raskin)	Lieu, Ted (Beyer)
(Clark (MA))	Frankel (Clark)	Lipinski
Bustos (Kuster)	(MA)	(Schrader)
(NH)	Gaetz (Gabbard)	Loftgren (Jeffries)
Cárdenas	Garamendi	Lowenthal
(Carbajal)	(Sherman)	(Beyer)
Carson (IN)	Gianforte	McEachin
(Clay)	(Suozi)	(Wexton)
Case	Gonzalez (TX)	McNerney
(Cartwright)	(Gomez)	(Raskin)
Castor (FL)	Grijalva (García)	Meng (Clark)
(Demings)	(IL)	(MA)
Cisneros	Hastings	Moore (Beyer)
(Carbajal)	(Wasserman)	Moulton
Cleaver (Davids)	Schultz	(McGovern)
(KS)	Heck (Kildee)	Mucarsel-Powell
Cohen (Beyer)	Jayapal (Raskin)	(Wasserman)
Costa (Correa)	Johnson (TX)	Schultz
Davis (CA)	(Jeffries)	Nadler (Jeffries)
(Scanlon)	Kelly (IL)	Napolitano
Dean (Scanlon)	(Clarke (NY))	(Correa)
DeFazio (Davids)	Kennedy	Neguse
(KS)	(McGovern)	(Perlmutter)
DeGette (Blunt)	Khanna	Pascarell
Rochester)	(Sherman)	(Pallone)
DeBene	Kilmer (Kildee)	
(Cicilline)		

Payne	Ruiz (Dingell)	Smith (WA)
(Wasserman)	Rush	(Courtney)
Schultz)	(Underwood)	Speier (Scanlon)
Peters (Kildee)	Ryan (Kildee)	Titus (Connolly)
Peterson	Schakowsky	Vargas (Correa)
(McCollum)	(Underwood)	Veasey (Beyer)
Pingree	Schneider	Velázquez
(Cicilline)	(Casten (IL))	(Clarke (NY))
Pocan (Raskin)	Schrier	Watson Coleman
Porter (Wexton)	(Spanberger)	(Pallone)
Price (NC)	Serrano	Welch
(Butterfield)	(Jeffries)	(McGovern)
Richmond	Sewell (AL)	Wilson (FL)
(Butterfield)	(Cicilline)	(Hayes)
Rouda (Aguilar)	Shimkus	
Roybal-Allard	(Pallone)	
(Garcia (TX))	Sires (Pallone)	

## ENROLLED JOINT RESOLUTION AND BILLS SIGNED

Cheryl L. Johnson, Clerk of the House, reported and found truly enrolled a joint resolution of the House of the following title, which was thereupon signed by the Speaker on Friday, December 18, 2020:

H.J. Res. 107. Joint Resolution making further continuing appropriations for fiscal year 2021, and for other purposes.

Cheryl L. Johnson, Clerk of the House, further reported and found truly enrolled bills of the House of the following title, which was thereupon signed by the Speaker:

H.R. 1503. An act to amend the Federal Food, Drug, and Cosmetic Act regarding the list under section 505(j)(7) of the Federal Food, Drug, and Cosmetic Act, and for other purposes.

H.R. 2468. An act to amend the Public Health Service Act to increase the preference given, in awarding certain allergies and asthma-related grants, to States that require certain public schools to have allergies and asthma management programs, and for other purposes.

H.R. 3976. An act to designate the facility of the United States Postal Service located at 12711 East Jefferson Avenue in Detroit, Michigan, as the "Aretha Franklin Post Office Building".

H.R. 4356. An act to amend the Servicemembers Civil Relief Act to allow certain individuals to terminate contracts for telephone, multichannel video programming, or internet access service, and for other purposes.

H.R. 4983. An act to designate the Department of Veterans Affairs community-based outpatient clinic in Gilbert, Arizona, as the "Staff Sergeant Alexander W. Conrad Veterans Affairs Health Care Clinic".

H.R. 4988. An act to designate the facility of the United States Postal Service located at 14 Walnut Street in Bordentown, New Jersey, as the "Clara Barton Post Office Building".

H.R. 5123. An act to designate the facility of the United States Postal Service located at 476 East Main Street in Galesburg, Illinois, as the "Senior Airman Daniel Miller Post Office Building".

H.R. 5273. An act to require the Secretary of Homeland Security to develop a plan to increase to 100 percent the rates of scanning of commercial and passenger vehicles and freight rail entering the United States at land ports of entry along the border using large-scale, non-intrusive inspection systems to enhance border security, and for other purposes.

H.R. 5451. An act to designate the facility of the United States Postal Service located at 599 East Genesee Street in Fayetteville, New York, as the "George H. Bazel Post Office Building".

H.R. 5597. An act to designate the facility of the United States Postal Service located at 305 Northwest 5th Street in Oklahoma City, Oklahoma, as the "Clara Luper Post Office Building".

H.R. 5663. An act to amend the Federal Food, Drug, and Cosmetic Act to give authority to the Secretary of Health and Human Services, acting through the Commissioner of Food and Drugs, to destroy counterfeit devices.

H.R. 5972. An act to designate the facility of the United States Postal Service located at 500 Delaware Avenue, Suite 1, in Wilmington, Delaware, as the "Mary Ann Shadd Cary Post Office".

H.R. 5983. An act to designate the facility of the United States Postal Service located at 4150 Chicago Avenue in Riverside, California, as the "Woodie Rucker-Hughes Post Office Building".

H.R. 6016. An act to designate the facility of the United States Postal Service located at 14955 West Bell Road in Surprise, Arizona, as the "Marc Lee Memorial Post Office Building".

H.R. 6100. An act to amend title 18, United States Code, to clarify the criminalization of female genital mutilation, and for other purposes.

H.R. 6161. An act to designate the facility of the United States Postal Service located at 1585 Yanceyville Street, Greensboro, North Carolina, as the "J. Howard Coble Post Office Building".

H.R. 6192. An act to require the Secretary of the Treasury to honor the 100th anniversary of completion of coinage of the "Morgan Dollar" and the 100th anniversary of commencement of coinage of the "Peace Dollar", and for other purposes.

H.R. 6418. An act to designate the facility of the United States Postal Service located at 509 Fairhope Avenue in Fairhope, Alabama, as the "William 'Jack' Jackson Edwards III Post Office Building".

H.R. 6435. An act to direct the Federal Trade Commission to develop and disseminate information to the public about scams related to COVID-19, and for other purposes.

H.R. 7088. An act to designate the facility of the United States Postal Service located at 111 James Street in Reidsville, Georgia, as the "Senator Jack Hill Post Office Building".

H.R. 7105. An act to provide flexibility for the Secretary of Veterans Affairs in caring for homeless veterans during a covered public health emergency, to direct the Secretary of Veterans Affairs to carry out a retraining assistance program for unemployed veterans, and for other purposes.

H.R. 7259. An act to allow acceleration certificates awarded under the Patents for Humanity Program to be transferable.

H.R. 7347. An act to designate the medical center of the Department of Veterans Affairs in Ann Arbor, Michigan, as the "Lieutenant Colonel Charles S. Kettles Department of Veterans Affairs Medical Center".

H.R. 7502. An act to designate the facility of the United States Postal Service located at 101 South 16th Street in Clarinda, Iowa, as the "Jessie Field Shambaugh Post Office Building".

H.R. 7810. An act to designate the facility of the United States Postal Service located at 3519 East Walnut Street in Pearland, Texas, as the "Tom Reid Post Office Building".

H.R. 8354. An act to establish the Servicemembers and Veterans Initiative within the Civil Rights Division of the Department of Justice, and for other purposes.

H.R. 8611. An act to designate the facility of the United States Postal Service located at 4755 Southeast Dixie Highway in Port Salerno, Florida, as the "Joseph Bullock Post Office Building".